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From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, September 04, 2012 3:47 PM

To:

'Atkinson, Mark'

Subject:

RE: Protest_Letter

Dear Mr. Atkinson,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission. I am forwarding your email and Letter of Protest to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email and Letter of Protest will become a part of Docket No. 2012-177-WS and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling Administrative Assistant

----Original Message----

From: Atkinson, Mark [mailto:MARK.ATKINSON@MONTGOMERY-INS.COM]

Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2012 2:46 PM

To: PSC Contact

Subject: Protest Letter

Protest Letter

The attached file is the filled-out form. Please open it to review the data.

Mark Atkinson

Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210



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Email form to: contact@psc.sc.gov

* Required Fields

Letter of Protest in Docket 2012 - 177 - WC

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Date: * September 4, 2012

Protestant Infor	mation:				
Name *	Mark Atkinson				
Mailing Address *	25052 Timberlake Drive	9			
City, State Zip *	Tega Cay	, <u>sc</u>	29708	Phone * 7046514308	
E-mail					

1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am a customer of Tega Cay Water Service

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

TCWS has asked for a rate increase of 40% on the current water and sewage rates in Tega Cay. Since they are the only provider of water service to my home there is a special duty on the regulation of these rates to ensure they are realistic and competitive.

It is unrealistic, especially in the current economic climate, to expect that a company in a competitive market could raise the price for its goods by 40% and not lose most or all its customers to a competitor. In a competitive environment companies must seek efficiencies to keep their prices in line with the market or lose their customers to those companies who can.

I request that you deny the TCWS request for a rate increase of this magnitude as it exploits the monopoly they have been granted.

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding , if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? st

No